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Further to our May 8, 2002 response to the office action mailed January 2, 2002, and to our July 25, 2002 and January 7, 2003 supplemental responses, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 10-31, 33, 34, 37, 39, 65-87, 99-106, 108, and 111-119.

Please amend claim 40 as follows:

40 (amended). The DNA molecule of claim 121, further comprising a promoter operably linked to said coding sequence whereby said variant may be expressed in a host cell compatible with said promoter.

Please add the following new claims:

119 ~~120~~ (new). A non-naturally occurring nucleic acid molecule which encodes a variant of a vertebrate growth hormone, wherein the variant comprises an amino acid sequence which is at least 80% identical to the native vertebrate growth hormone amino acid sequence, and wherein the amino acid position corresponding to amino acid Gly 119 of bovine growth

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